GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Service - Revenue Department - Departmental proceedings against Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c VRO, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District- Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 779 Dated: 30-07-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the D.G., ACB, Lr.C.No.86/RPC(C)/2020, Dt:03.09.2020.
2. Govt. Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(ACBC)/45/2020-VIG.III(2)-1, Dt:12.10.2020.
3. Govt.Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(ACBC)/45/2020-VIG.III(2)-2, Dt:12.10.2020.
4. From the D.G., ACB, Lr.C.No.31/DE-VGT/2020-S.17, Dt:17.08.2023.
5. G.O.Ms.No.261, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, dated:30.07.2025.

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O R D E R :

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 has involved in certain irregularities during a surprise check conducted on O/o Tahsildar, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu district by the Inspector, Range-II, Anti Corruption Bureau, Guntur District on 24.01.2020.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure.I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the Articles of Charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures. II,III & IV).

3. Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge.

(P.T.O)

5. Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the time specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold inquiry against him ex-parte. Further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his/her behalf from any other person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his/her instance and action will be taken against him/her for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Memorandum be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c Village Revenue Officer, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District ***through*** the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Palnadu District.
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF DRAFT ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI BANDLA RAMA RAO, FORMERLY VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, LACHAMMABAVI VILLAGE, I/C VRO, CHINTALATANDA VILLAGE, MACHERLA MANDAL, PALNADU DISTRICT.

That Sri Bandla Rama Rao, S/o Venkateswaralu, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c VRO, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District (hereinafter referred to as Government Servant) while functioning as such during the period from 24.07.2019 to 08.09.2020 committed grave misconduct in as much as:

Charge-1:

"That the Government Servant kept one Original e-Passbook with him without distributing to the concerned Pattadar which was entrusted to him by the Tahsildar Office, Macherla".

Charge-2:

"That the Government Servant was in the possession of unaccounted cash of Rs. 1580/- while on duty on the date of Surprise Check, by violating the orders of the Government" and failed to account for satisfactory.

"Thus, the Government Servant Sri Bandla Rama Rao, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c VRO, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of devotion to duty, failed to maintain integrity, behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Govt. servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and there by violated/contravened Rule 3(1) &3(2)and 9 (8-A) of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964".

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI BANDLA RAMA RAO, FORMERLY VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, LACHAMMABAVI VILLAGE, I/C VRO, CHINTALATANDA VILLAGE, MACHERLA MANDAL, PALNADU DISTRICT.

Sri Bandla Rama Rao, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c VRO, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District is a native of D. No. 4-260, Petasannigandla Village, Karempudi Mandal, Palnadu District. His date of birth is 15.04.1968. He joined Government Service on 24.05.2008 as Village Revenue Officer and worked as thus at Petasannigandla, Kandlakunta, Cehnnayapalem, Lachammabavi Villages. He worked as Village Revenue Officer of Lachammabavi Village of Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District during the period from 24.07.2019 to 08.09.2020. He has drawn Basic pay of Rs. 22,460/- in the Scale of Pay Rs. 17,890/-, Rs. 53,950/-. He is due to retire on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.04.2038. He is hereinafter referred to as Government Servant (G.S).

Charge-1:

"That the Government Servant kept one Original e-Passbook with him without distributing to the concerned Pattadar which was entrusted to him by the Tahsildar Office, Macherla".

Facts and Evidence:

On credible information that the Tahsildar, Macherla and his staff are committing irregularities, indulging in corrupt practices by not attending public duties and adopting dilatory tactics a Surprise Check was conducted on the office of Tahsildar, Macherla, Palnadu District from 24.01.2020 at 11.30 hrs to 7.30 hrs on 25.01.2020 in the presence of the mediators.

During the surprise check, When the Inspector questioned about the distribution of e-Passbooks received from Chennai, from the office of the Tahsildar, initially all the VROs told that they have distributed all the Passbooks to the concerned. When they were asked to produce the 17-Register, then they repented and produced the Passbooks kept pending by them without distribution to the Pattadars. The G.S. also produced one Original e-Passbook of Smt. Madasu Syamala, Khatha No. 2733. When the G.S. was called for explanation for the above lapse of Non-distribution of Passbook to the concerned through dodging methods, the G.S. did not give any explanation. At the request of the Inspector, the Tahsildar handed over the attested copies of above Passbooks for further enquiry.

ORAL EVIDENCE:

1. Sri Shaik MastanVali, S/o Moulali, Age 39 yrs, Assistant Executive Engineer, Operation, APSPDCL, Rentachintala Section, Macherla Division, R/o Nehru Nagar, 2nd line, H. No. 15-1-141, Macherla Town.

2. Sri Malamanti Naraiah, S/o Narasimha Rao, Age 39 yrs, Junior Assistant, O/o AAO/Sub/ERO/Gurazala/APSPDCL, Gurazala, R/o H. No. 8-449, Madugula road, Gurazala (V&M)

Witnesses Nos. 1 & 2 are the mediators to the entire proceedings of surprise check conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Macherla mandal from 24.01.2020 at 11.30 hrs to 7.30 hrs on 25.01.2020 and drafted the Mediators Report incorporating the entire proceedings in the O/o the Tahsildar, Macherla.

3. Sri J. Pardha Saradhi, Revenue Divisional Officer, Gurazala, Palnadu District.

He speaks about that the G.S. did not distribute the Original e-Passbook in respect of Pattadars entrusted to him by the Tahsildar Office, Macherla and resorted to dilatory tactics or willfully caused delay in disposal of the work assigned to him.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:

1. Surprise Check Proceedings, Dt. 24.01.2020 drafted by the Mediators at the O/o the Tahsildar, Macherla Mandal, Guntur District.

It contains all the happenings in the Surprise Check conducted on the Office of the Tahsildar, Macherla on 24.01.2020 by the ACB Officials in the presence of mediators. The mediators drafted and attested the Surprise Check Proceedings.

2. Attested Copies of 12 e-Passbooks found in the possession of VROs without distributing to the Pattadars.

It revealed that 12 Original e-Passbooks were found in the possession of VROs without distributing to the Pattadars.

3. Attested copy of the Job chart of the Village Revenue Officer.

It revealed that the Duties and Responsibilities of the Village Revenue Officer.

Charge-2:

"That the Government Servant was in the possession of unaccounted cash of Rs.1580/- while on duty on the date of Surprise Check, by violating the orders of the Government" and failed to account for satisfactory.

Facts and Evidence:

During the surprise check, When the Inspector questioned to the Tahsildar about the maintenance of the Personal Cash Register in his office, the Tahsildar has stated that they are not maintaining the Personal Cash Declaration Register in his office. At the request of the Inspector, the Tahsildar and his staff produced their personal cash. The G.S. produced an amount of Rs. 1580/-. When the Inspector questioned the G.S. with regard to his possession of amountRs.1580/-, he did not give proper account of the amount. Hence, the amount is suspected as unaccounted amount and seized by the Inspector for the purpose of further enquiry.

ORAL EVIDENCE:

1. Sri Shaik Mastan Vali, S/o Moulali, Age 39 yrs, Assistant Executive Engineer, Operation, APSPDCL, Rentachintala Section, Macherla Division, R/o Nehru Nagar, 2nd line, H. No. 15-1-141, Macherla Town.

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Witnesses Nos. 1 & 2 are the mediators to the entire proceedings of surprise check conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Macherla Mandal from 24.01.2020 at 11.30 hrs to 7.30 hrs on 25.01.2020 and drafted the mediators report incorporating the entire proceedings in the O/o the Tahsildar, Macherla.

3. Sri J. Pardha Saradhi, Revenue Divisional Officer, Gurazala, Palnadu District.

He speaks about that the Government Servant was in the possession of unaccounted cash violating the Standing Orders of the Govt. in G.O. Ms. No. 200 GA (Ser.C) Department Dt. 26.03.2007, wherein it was ordered through the above G.O. that a Govt. Servant on duty not to keep cash in his possession beyond Rs. 500/- while on duty in the office etc., facts.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:

1. Surprise Check Proceedings, Dt. 24.01.2020 drafted by the Mediators at the O/o the Tahsildar, Macherla Mandal, Guntur District.

It contains all the happenings in the Surprise Check conducted on the Office of the Tahsildar, Macherla on 24.01.2020 by the ACB Officials in the presence of mediators. The mediators drafted and attested the Surprise Check Proceedings.

2. Copy of G.O. Ms. No. 200 GA (Ser.C) Deparment, Dt. 26.03.2007 of Govt. of A.P.

Through this G.O., the Govt. of A.P., has amended Rule 9 (8-A) & (8-B) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964. The Rule 9 (8) (B) (i) speaks about the declaration of personal cash at the time of reporting duty if in the excess of Rs. 500/-.

"Thus, the Government Servant Sri Bandla Rama Rao, Formerly Village Revenue Officer, Lachammabavi Village, I/c VRO, Chintalatanda Village, Macherla Mandal, Palnadu District by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of devotion to duty, failed to maintain integrity, behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Govt. servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and there by violated/contravened Rule 3(1) & 3(2) and 9 (8-A) of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964".

Thus, the Government servant rendered himself for regular departmental action for major penalty under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rulers, 1991.

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ANNEXURE –III

LIST OF WITNESSES IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI BANDLA RAMA RAO, FORMERLY VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, LACHAMMABAVI VILLAGE, I/C VRO, CHINTALATANDA VILLAGE, MACHERLA MANDAL, PALNADU DISTRICT.

Sl. No.	Name of the Address of the Witnesses.
1	Sri Shaik Mastan Vali, S/o Moulali, Age 39 yrs, Assistant Executive Engineer, Operation, APSPDCL, Rentachintala Section, Macherla Division, R/o Nehru Nagar, 2nd line, H. No. 15-1-141, Macherla Town.
2	Sri Malamanti Naraiah, S/o Narasimha Rao, Age 39 yrs, Junior Assistant, O/o AAO/Sub/ERO/Gurazala/APSPDCL, Gurazala, R/o H.No.8-449, Madugula road, Gurazala (V&M).
3	Sri J. Pardha Saradhi, Revenue Divisional Officer, Gurazala, Palnadu District.
4	Sri G. Sridhar, Inspector, Range-II, ACB, Guntur Range, Guntur.
5	Sri A. Manmadha Rao, Inspector, ACB, Guntur Range, Guntur.
6	Any other witness that may be produced during the course of enquiry.

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ANNEXURE –IV

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI BANDLA RAMA RAO, FORMERLY VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, LACHAMMABAVI VILLAGE, I/C VRO, CHINTALATANDA VILLAGE, MACHERLA MANDAL, PALNADU DISTRICT.

Sl. No.	Details Of The Documents
1	Surprise Check Proceedings, Dt. 24.01.2020 drafted by the Mediators at the O/o the Tahsildar, Macherla Mandal, Guntur District.
2	Attested Copies of 12 e-Passbooks found in the possession of VROs without distributing to the Pattadars.
3	Attested copy of the Job chart of the Village Revenue Officer.
4	Copy of G.O. Ms. No. 200 GA (Ser.C) Deparment, Dt. 26.03.2007 of Govt. of A.P.34

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